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***"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ISSUES
RELATING TO THE RECRUITMENT OF MANUFACTURING
TEACHERS."***

1 After line 32, insert "(7) The Commissioner of Education, or the
2 commissioner's designee;"

3 In line 33, strike "(7)" and insert "(8)" in lieu thereof

4 In line 35, strike "(8)" and insert "(9)" in lieu thereof

5 In line 37, strike "(9)" and insert "(10)" in lieu thereof

6 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
7 internal references accordingly:

8 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
9 to study issues relating to the professional development requirements,

10 as described in sections 10-148a and 10-148b of the general statutes,
11 and the in-service training requirements, as described in section 10-
12 220a of the general statutes, for educators. The task force shall (1)
13 examine (A) how the professional development and in-service training
14 requirements prescribed by law are being implemented by local and
15 regional boards of education, (B) the content prescribed by such
16 requirements, including, but not limited to, any duplicative training or
17 instruction requirements, and the frequency with which educators are
18 completing the same training or instruction, (C) the time required each
19 year to complete the professional development and in-service training
20 requirements, and, after completing such training and instruction, how
21 much time remains to address issues and topics specific to the school
22 district, (D) the direct and indirect costs of such requirements to local
23 and regional boards of education, and (E) the effect such requirements
24 have on the provision of instruction in the public schools, and (2) make
25 recommendations for the streamlining of such requirements,
26 including, but not limited to, the frequency of the provision of the
27 requirements and the combination or elimination of duplicative
28 requirements.

29 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members: (1) The
30 Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, (2) one
31 representative from each of the following associations, designated by
32 each such association: The Connecticut Association of Boards of
33 Education, the Connecticut Association of Public School
34 Superintendents, the Connecticut Association of Schools, Connecticut
35 Federation of School Administrators, the Connecticut Education
36 Association and the American Federation of Teachers-Connecticut,
37 and (3) four persons selected by the Commissioner of Education, one
38 of whom is an academic with knowledge and expertise in social-
39 emotional learning, one of whom is a teacher, one of whom is a
40 member of the School Paraprofessional Advisory Council, established
41 pursuant to section 10-155k of the general statutes, and one of whom is
42 any other person the commissioner deems appropriate.

43 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than

44 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
45 filled by the appointing authority.

46 (d) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's
47 designee, shall serve as the chairperson of the task force. Such
48 chairperson shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which
49 shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this
50 section.

51 (e) Not later than January 1, 2017, the task force shall submit a
52 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
53 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
54 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
55 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date
56 that it submits such report or January 1, 2017, whichever is later."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section